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The following is the T/O of the Primerwald School, the only HVA armored corps school.

School Command (Schulleitung)Rank (T/O)

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| 1. Chief  | 1 Kommandeur-Inspekteur   |
| 2. Deputy Chief Polit/Kultur                                  | 1 Oberrat-Kommandeur      |
| 3. Deputy Chief in charge of training                         | 1 Oberrat-Kommandeur      |
| 4. Deputy Chief in charge of technical equipment              | 1 Oberrat-Kommandeur      |
| 5. Deputy Chief in charge of material and technical supplies. | 1 Oberrat-Kommandeur      |
| 6. Aide   | 1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar |
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I. Polit/Kultur Section

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|---|----------------------|
| 1. Secretary Party Control Commission (PKK)   | 1 Oberrat-Kommandeur |
| 2. Instrukteur in charge of organized Party activities (Instrukteur fuer organisierte Parteiarbeit)   | 1 Rat-Oberrat        |
| 3. Propagandist   | 1 Rat-Oberrat        |
| 4. Assistant to the Section Chief in charge of youth activities   | 1 Rat-Oberrat        |
| 5. Club Manager, also Instrukteur in charge of collective cultural activities (Klubleiter, zugleich Instrukteur fuer kulturelle Massenarbeit) | 1 Oberkommissar-Rat  |
| 6. Chief Librarian  | 1 Oberwachtmeister   |

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<u>Polit/Kultur Section (cont'd)</u>	<u>Rank (T/O)</u>
7. Projectionist and Radio Mechanic	1 Oberwachtmeister
8. Party and FDJ Document Registrar (Instrukteur fuer Nachweisfuehrung der Partei - und FDJ Dokumente)	1 Civilian
9. Clerk	1 Civilian
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<b>II. Secretariat</b>	
1. Chief of Secretariat	1 Rat-Oberrat
2. Chief of Personnel Sub-Section (Unterabt Kader)	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
3. Chief of classified documents (VS Stelle)	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
4. Registrar of Classified Materials (VS Sachbearbeiter)	1 Unterkommissar-Kommissar
5. Interpreter	2 Kommissare
6. Clerk	1 Civilian
	<u>7</u>
<b>III. Signals Detail (Nachrichtengruppe)</b>	
1. Chief	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
a. Telephone Operations Squad	
2. Squad Leader	1 Hauptwachtmeister
3. Master Telephone Operator (Oberfernsprecher)	1 Oberwachtmeister
4. Telephone Operator	2 Wachtmeister
	<u>4</u>
b. Radio Detachment	
5. Detachment Chief	1 Hauptwachtmeister
6. Chief Radio Operator	4 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>5</u>
c. Work Shop and Battery Charging Unit	
7. Work Shop Chief	1 Hauptwachtmeister
8. Radio Mechanic (Funkmeister)	1 Oberwachtmeister
9. Telephone Mechanic (Fernsprechmeister)	1 Oberwachtmeister
10. Electrician	1 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>4</u>
Total Signals Detail: 14	

**IV. Band**

1 1. Band master	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2. Assistant Band Master	1 Meister
3. Musician	2 Oberwachtmeister
4. Musician	10 Wachtmeister

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V.	<u>Training Section</u>	<u>Rank (T/2)</u>
1.	Chief of Training Section	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
2.	Assistant Chief for Planning	2 Rat-Oberrat
3.	Office Manager	1 Unterkommissar-Kommissar
4.	Quartermaster (Magazinverwalter)	1 Civilian
5.	Draftsman	1 Hauptwachtmeister
6.	Clerk	1 Oberwachtmeister
7.	Clerk	2 Civilians
8.	Chief Instructor (Hauptfachlehrer) for Polit/Kultur	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
9.	Instructor for Polit/Kultur	3 Rat-Oberrat
10.	Chief Instructor for Tactics	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
11.	Instructor " "	6 Rat-Oberrat
12.	Chief Instructor for Technical Equipment	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
13.	Instructor for Technical Equipment	6 Rat-Oberrat
14.	Instructor for Automotive Equipment (Betriebs- dienst und Fuehrung Masch.)	1 Rat-Oberrat
15.	Chief Instructor for Marksmanship	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
16.	Instructor for Marksmanship	3 Rat-Oberrat
17.	Chief Instructor for Signals	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
18.	Chief Instructor for combat engineer service (Pionierwesen)	
19.	Chief Instructor for Artillery	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
20.	Chief Instructor for Cartography	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
21.	Chief Instructor for Basic Training & Sports	1 Oberkommissar-Rat

37VI. Company

The school includes six companies, each 100 trainees strong.

a. Company Command

1.	Company Commander	1 Rat-Oberrat
2.	Deputy Company Commander Polit/Kultur	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
3.	First Sergeant (Innendienstleiter)	1 Meister
4.	Company Clerk - Supply Room Sergeant	1 Oberwachtmeister

4b. Platoon

1.	Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2.	Assistant Platoon Leader (trainee)	1 Hauptwachtmeister

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Platoon (cont'd)

3. Squad Leader (trainee)	3 Oberwachtmeister
4. Trainees	<u>21</u> 26

Total Company Strength: 108  
 Total 6 Companies Strength: 648

VII. Technical Section

1. Chief (deputy school commandant)	
2. Assistant chief in charge of Maintenance, Repair, and Supply of Vehicles	1 Rat-Oberrat
3. Manager of Fuels and Lubricants	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
4. Chief Clerk	1 Hauptwachtmeister
	<u>3</u>

VIII. Combat Vehicle Training Company (Kompanie der Schulkampfwagen)

1. Company Commander	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
2. Deputy Company Commander Polit/Kultur	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
3. Deputy Company Commander for technical equipment.	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
4. First Sergeant	1 Meister
5. Chief Mechanic	1 Meister
6. Clerk and Supply Room Sergeant	1 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>6</u>

IX. Armored Vehicle Platoon

Each company has one Combat Vehicle Platoon.

1. Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2. Tank Commander	1 Unterkommissar
3. Office Manager	4 Hauptwachtmeister
4. Mechanic Specialist (Fach-Mechaniker)	4 Hauptwachtmeister
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a. Self Propelled Artillery Platoon

Each company has one self propelled artillery platoon

1. Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2. Commandant (Kdt.SFL)	2 Unterkommissare
3. Gun Commander	2 Hauptwachtmeister
4. Mechanic	2 Hauptwachtmeister
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b. Light Vehicle Platoon (Zug der Leichten Wagen)

1. Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
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**-5-**Armored Personnel Carrier Squad (SPW)

1. Squad Leader	1 Unterkommissar
2. Commandant (Kommandant SPW)	4 Oberwachtmeister
3. Driver	4 Oberwachtmeister
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c. Armored Scouting Vehicle Squad

1. Squad Leader	1 Unterkommissar
2. Commandant	4 Oberwachtmeister
3. Driver	4 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>9</u>

Total Platoon Strength: 19

Total Company Strength: 45

X. Transport and Maintenance Companya. Company Command

1. Company Commander	1 Rat-Oberrat
2. Deputy Company Commander Polit/Kultur	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
3. Deputy Company Commander for Technical Equipment	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
4. First Sergeant	1 Meister
5. Clerk and Supply Room Sergeant	1 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>5</u>

b. Motor Transport Platoon

Each company has one such platoon

1. Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2. Assistant Platoon Leader	1 Oberwachtmeister
3. Manager of Fuels and Lubricants	1 Oberwachtmeister
4. Chief Driver and Squad Leader	2 Oberwachtmeister
5. Truck Driver	6 Wachtmeister
6. Staff Car Driver	4 Wachtmeister
7. Motorcyclist	1 Wachtmeister

c. Maintenance Platoon

Each Company has one such platoon

1. Platoon Leader	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
2. Assistant Platoon Leader	1 Oberwachtmeister
3. Car Mechanic	2 Oberwachtmeister
4. Chief Electrician	1 Oberwachtmeister
5. Lathe Operator (Dreher)	1 Wachtmeister

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(Maintenance Platoon - Cont'd.)

6. Chief Ordnance Sergeant	1 Hauptwachtmeister
7. Ordnance Sergeant	2 Oberwachtmeister
8. Battery Charger	1 Wachtmeister
9. Driver of General Purpose Truck	1 Wachtmeister
10. Spare Parts Manager	1 Oberwachtmeister
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Total strength of company: 47

**XI. Supply and Administration (Intendantur)****a. Rations Section**

1. Chief	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
2. Store Room Manager	1 Oberwachtmeister
3. Chief Cook	1 Oberwachtmeister
4. Cook	5 Wachtmeister
5. Waitresses	6 civilians
6. Kitchen Help	6 Civilians
7. Clerk	1 Oberwachtmeister
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**b. Clothing and Equipment**

1. Chief	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
2. Store Room Manager	1 Oberwachtmeister
3. Store Room Handyman (Kammerarbeiter)	1 civilian
4. Cobbler	6 civilians (1 for each company)
5. Tailor	3 civilians
6. Clerk	1 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>13</u>

**c. Billeting Section**

7. Technician charged with building maintenance.	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
8. Store Room manager	1 Civilian
9. Fireman	1 Civilian
10. Locksmith	1 Civilian
11. Electrician	1 Civilian
12. Housekeeper	2 Civilians
	<u>7</u>

**d. Weapons and Tools Section**

1. Chief	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
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(Weapons and Tools - cont'd)

2. Armorer in charge of magazine	1 Hauptwachtmeister
3. Armorer	3 Oberwachtmeister
	<u>5</u>

e. Finance Office

1. Chief	1 Oberkommissar-Rat
2. Finance Clerk	1 Unterkommissar-Kommissar

f. Dispensary

1. Chief Medical Officer (Oberarzt)	1 Oberrat-Kommandeur
2. Medical Corps Man (Feldscher)	1 Kommissar-Oberkommissar
3. Medical Instructor	2 Hauptwachtmeister
	<u>4</u>

The total personnel strength of the Primerwald Schobl is as follows:

Officers	116
Non-commissioned officers	87
Enlisted Men	31
Trainees	600
Civilians	34
Total:	868

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